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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<p>In re the Application of:</p> <p>Davidson, Robert S. et al.</p> <p>Serial No.: 10/706,810</p> <p>Filed: November 12, 2003</p> <p>For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MINIMIZING HEAT, MOISTURE, AND SHEAR DAMAGE TO MEDICANTS AND OTHER COMPOSITIONS DURING INCORPORATION OF SAME WITH EDIBLE FILMS</p>	<p>Examiner: Jake Minh Vu</p> <p>Group Art Unit: 1618</p> <p>Confirmation No.: 6949</p> <p>Docket No.: 57778.8004.US00</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited this 6th day of August 2007 with the United States Patent Office via EFS-Web Electronic Filing.</p> <p>/Rena lov/</p> <hr/> <p>Rena lov</p>
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2007, for the above-identified application, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1, and 3-49.

The Office Action also requires Applicants to make various species elections for prosecution on the merits to which certain claims shall be restricted if no generic claims are finally held to be allowable. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 3 of the office action, Applicants elect cough curing agents. Regarding the

species election requirement on p. 4 of the office action, Applicants elect carrageenan. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 5 of the office action, Applicants elect modified starches. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 6 of the office action, Applicants elect stearic acid. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 7 of the office action, Applicants elect carboxymethylcellulose. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 8 of the office action, Applicants elect lipid. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 9 of the office action, Applicants elect starch. Regarding the species election requirement on p. 10 of the office action, Applicants elect pullulan.

Upon allowance of the generic claims, Applicants request consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or which otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claims.

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time in which to reply to said Office Action, extending the period for reply from May 4, 2007 to August 4, 2007. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$510.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-2586 for the requisite fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.